

**Electoral structure review - Stonnington City Council - Response Submission
Mitchell Fuller - Prahran - 03 August 2023, 11:06 am**

I have lived in Stonnington, in a one-bedroom rental near the corner of Williams Rd and Malvern Rd in Prahran for almost 3 years now.

For whatever it's worth, I am a single 29 year old male who lives alone. I spend a lot of my time out of the house, and feeling like I'm part of a community is important to me.

Accordingly, Model 1 appeals most to me, both for personal reasons and more broadly.

The proposed Princes Garden Ward in Model 1 most accurately reflects what I consider my "local community" on a fundamental level. The parks I visit, my favourite pub, and people of a similar socioeconomic status to myself (lots of renters and those in public housing!) live in this proposed ward. This is the proposed ward I would feel more comfortable identifying as being part of, out of the 3 proposals.

On a more macro level, Model 1 is the easiest division for non-political nerds to understand. Boundaries are clearly delineated along obvious geographical borders like main roads, and seem to represent demographic groups accurately without gerrymandering (for instance, my area and its high-density working-class rental apartments isn't shoehorned into Torak and Kooyong). Communities with common identities and interests seem to be separated out into wards with more defined local character than the other two proposals.